

## Message Text

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ACTION SCS-06

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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8341

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E.O. 11652 N/A  
TAGS: CGEN  
SUBJECT: AUTHENTICATION BY CONSULAR AGENTS IN MEXICO

REF.: 7 FAM 812-834; CONSULAR AGENT'S HANDBOOK

SCA/SCS FOR DOBRENCHUK

1. 7 FAM AND THE DRAFT CONSULAR AGENT'S HANDBOOK STATE  
"A CONSULAR AGENT MAY PERFORM ALL THE NOTARIAL SERVICES  
THAT A CONSULAR OFFICER DOES". HOWEVER, 7 FAM 812  
DEFINES AN AUTHENTICATION AS A GOVERNMENTAL ACT, NOT  
A NOTARIAL ACT IN THE SENSE OF CERTIFYING THE OFFICIAL  
CHARACTER AND THE AUTHENTICITY OF THE SIGNATURE AND SEAL  
OF A NOTARY OR OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIAL. ARE CONSULAR  
AGENTS THEREFORE AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM AUTHENTICATIONS?

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS AS  
SOON AS POSSIBLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNING  
AUTHENTICATIONS BY THE CONSULAR AGENTS SINCE THE  
EFFECTIVE DATE OF THEIR APPOINTMENTS WAS FEB. 13, 1978.  
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